

POSIDON

Orientation for Guam 2016 Deployment

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Welcome to the Guam! This orientation package is to help you become familiar with the area and to answer some of the questions you may have when you arrive. If you have questions regarding the contents of this package, please don't hesitate to contact a member of the ESPO team.

Guam is a US military outpost that caters to a large number of Asian tourists (mainly Japan and China). Located approximately 3,300 miles West of Hawaii, 1,500 miles east of the Philippines and 1,550 miles South of Japan, the Island of Guam is the Western most territory of the United States.

Be aware that local Guam time (ChST = Chamorro Standard Time UTC+10) which is 17 hours ahead of Pacific Time PDT and 14 hours ahead of Eastern Time EDT. Please note when making your hotel arrangements that Guam is one day ahead of the mainland US, so be mindful when selecting your arrival and departure dates. If there is a mistake with your arrival date (i.e., you show up a day later than originally indicated), you will incur "no show" charges, your reservation will be voided, and your room will be released.

BEFORE YOU TRAVEL

VACCINATIONS

You should be up to date on routine vaccinations (measles-mumps-rubella (MMR), diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis, chickenpox, polio and yearly flu shot) while traveling to any destination. CDC also recommends Hepatitis A and Typhoid to protect against contaminated food. See <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/guam>

PASSPORT AND VISAS

AIR TRAVEL

Although Guam is a U.S. Territory and documentation on the subject vague, please be sure to have your passport for travel to Guam. Some airlines require it and it is always a good idea to have your passport for travel outside the continental US.

"All U.S. citizens departing from or entering the United States from within the Western Hemisphere by air are required to present a valid passport"

[...] https://help.cbp.gov/app/answers/detail/a_id/74/related/1/~/needing-a-passport-to-enter-the-united-states-from-u.s.-territories

VISAS

The United States participates in the Visa Waiver Program. This permits citizens of participating countries to travel to the US for business or tourism for stays up to 90 days. Check this list. <https://www.dhs.gov/visa-waiver-program-requirements>

PHONES

We recommend turning off data completely on any mobile device while in Guam, unless you have an unlimited international data plan, because data roaming rates are very high. You will pay international rates when calling or sending text messages. It is recommended that you set up an international plan with your carrier before you leave home, or you can buy a local phone in Guam or use the wifi (email and text message and Skype) to communicate. There will be wifi at the hotel and hangar. You can also purchase a sim card (if your phone is unlocked) or a local phone. A local phone may not have data but you should be able to get texts.

WEATHER

Guam is hot and humid. In October, the temperature will have highs of 88 and lows of 76. The humidity is always high. October is in the rainy season so it will rain frequently but not for extended periods. Bring sunscreen and an umbrella.

SCHEDULE

Schedule details and updates will be sent to the list serve and posted on the POSIDON website - <https://espo.nasa.gov/POSIDON>.

SITE ORIENTATION

LODGING

Room block is for per diem (\$159) plus 11% tax. This includes 20% discount on all food and drinks in hotel as well as free dinner buffet (6p-9p). Internet is included as is free parking. Valet parking is free if parking lot is full. All rooms have refrigerators and can get some microwaves upon request. There

is a fitness center. There are two pools (including an infinity pool) and a Jacuzzi. There are coin operated washer and dryers on the 5th floor. There is a free shuttle to the local mall every 40 minutes. There is an airport shuttle. A hotel restaurant serves breakfast from 6:30am – 10am.

There is no beach but a nice pool and ocean access. If you're planning on swimming in the ocean you should either bring reef shoes (water shoes) or you can buy them at the Kmart.



RENTAL CARS

Rental car agencies like Avis, Budget, Dollar, Hertz and National are available at the international airport and at locations around the tourist areas.

Directions from the Airport to the Sheraton Hotel (see map on page 7)

Directions from Sheraton Hotel to United Hangar (see map on page 8)

DRIVING IN GUAM

The highest speed limit is 35 mph. Some people drive faster, some drive much slower. Road conditions can worsen significantly after heavy rains, which occur frequently. Drivers often make sudden turns or stop without warning to chat with or pick up pedestrians. Red lights appear to be a suggestion to stop so take extra care at intersections. During power outages they don't treat intersections with traffic lights as 4-way stops. Each direction flows for a while and then when someone advances far enough into the intersection to get the opposite direction traffic to slow down then the flow direction changes for a while. Driver's can turn right on red lights.

Watch out for school buses that are stopping to let kids off. They extend a stop sign from the front on the driver's side and everyone, in both directions, stops.

INTERNET

Wi-Fi at the hangar will be arranged by ESPO. You will be provided a user name and password upon arrival. Limit your Internet usage to work and contact with home. The bill will reflect our usage and will be paid by ESPO. Speed is expected to be 60 Mbps down and 4 Mbps upload.

SHIPPING

Shipping into Guam is slow. Note that Fed Ex is daily for items that can be sent on a commercial airline but only weekly for cargo.

UNITED MAINTENANCE HANGAR

Operations will be out of the United Maintenance Hangar. The security perimeter will be moved to allow us access to the hangar and, in some cases, the ramp. To reduce the cost of guards at the new perimeter, hangar access will be 6am-8pm daily. Goal is to not work Sunday or the Columbus Day holiday to reduce overtime but decisions will be made real time.

Take off is expected to be around 10am and landing near 4pm. Aircraft will nose into the hangar behind any aircraft under maintenance (7am-10am and 4pm-8pm daily). Both hangar doors will be open so be aware of possible blowing rain. Teams in pods, wings and nose be aware that the plane will only be inside the hangar up to the wings so expect exposure to the elements.

Hangar will have 3 rooms (composite rooms) for instruments and space on the second floor for desks for management, forecasters and ground crew. There will be a portable office trailer for suit room, storage and additional office space.

See Logistics – Lab Layouts section of the POSIDON website
https://espo.nasa.gov/posidon/content/POSIDON_Lab_Layouts.



AIRCRAFT ACCESS

Access to hangar is by using your badge in the badge reader. We have access to the hangar 0500-2400 every day. Access to the plane on the ramp requires an aircraft crew member to escort you.

The POSIDON mission badges will be sufficient for aircraft access. Science access will be with a security escort and aircraft crew.

United will be working on an airplane in the hangar most of the time we are there. Even though the weather is hot, safety rules around the aircraft apply. No open toed shoes in the labs or around the aircraft. Hats are not allowed on the airfield due to the potential of them coming off of your head and getting sucked into an aircraft engine.

Tool control will be strictly enforced.

Ask ESPO before you take any photographs of United operations or the ramp.

OTHER

MEDICAL FACILITIES

Guam Memorial Hospital Facility is near the hotel (see map).

Guam Memorial Hospital Authority 850 Gov. Carlos G. Camacho Road Oka, Tamuning, Guam 96913-3128 Tel: (671) 647-2555 thru 9

STORES AND RESTAURANTS

Restaurants are plentiful and there is a Payless Supermarket 1 mile from the hotel. Some restaurants add a "Value Added Tax" to their bills or include a gratuity.

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Guam has a lot of recreational activities available: Scuba diving, snorkeling, jet skiing, hiking, parasailing, deep-sea fishing, etc.

MISCELLANEOUS

A good Guam map is available at Kmart near the check-out registers for about \$7.00. It shows cities, roads, snorkel and scuba diving spots, tropical fishes of Guam, trails, sites to visit, historical sites, etc.

MAPS

Map from Antonio B. Won Pat International Airport to Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort hotel

470 Farenholt Avenue, Tamuning, Guam 96913

Phone (1)(671) 646 2222

Turn left (west) and proceed towards Route 1, Marine Corps Drive.

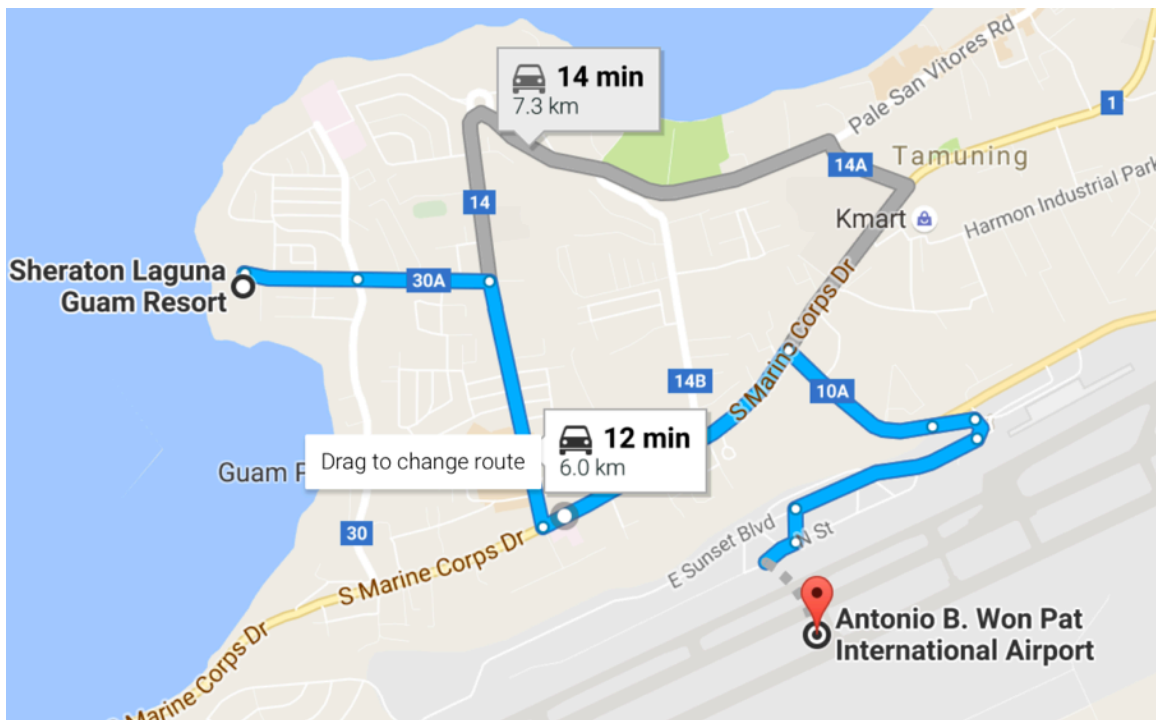
Turn left onto Route 1 and continue south for approximately 2 miles.

Turn right onto Gov Carlos G Camacho Road.

Turn left on to Farenholt Avenue after approximately one mile.

Farenholt Avenue will lead directly to the resort.

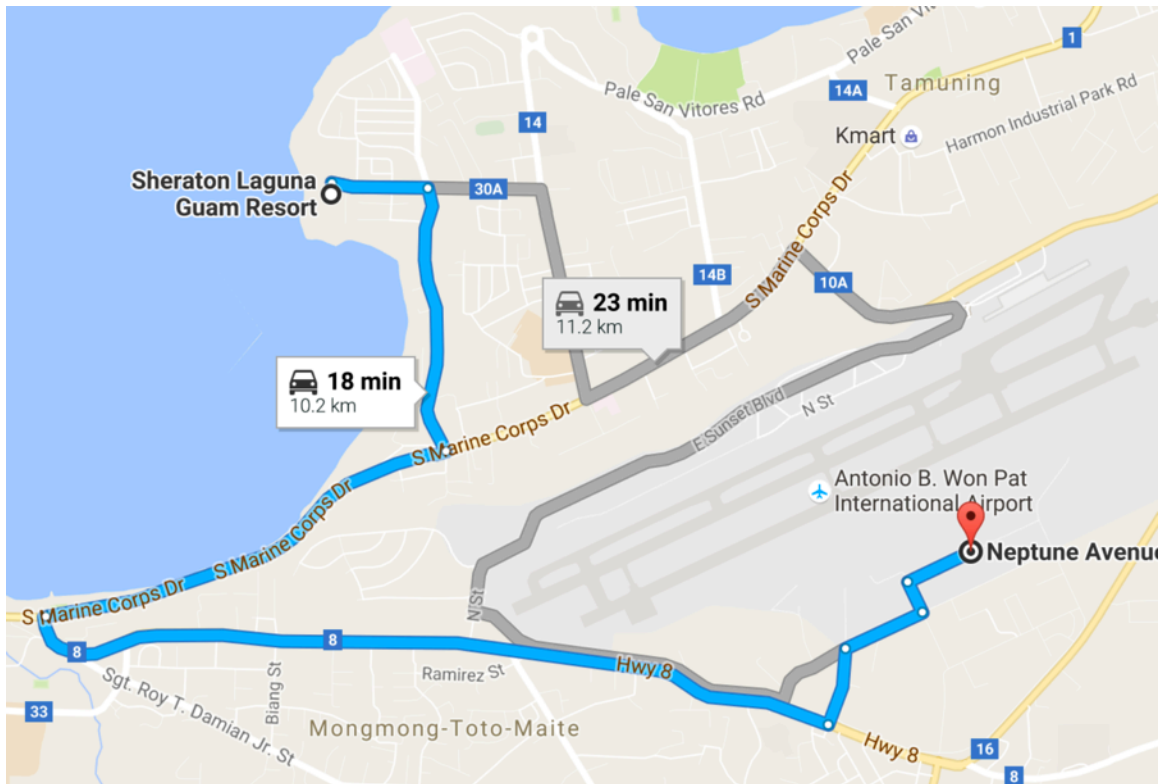
Approximately 10 minutes



Map from Sheraton Hotel to United Hangar

Head east on Farenholt Ave toward Condo Ln
Turn right onto Route 30 (Gov Carlos G Camacho Rd)
Turn right onto S Marine Corps Dr
Turn left onto Route 8
Turn left on Admiral Sherman Boulevard.
Turn right on Mariner Ave
Turn left on Corsair Ave
Turn right onto Neptune Ave
United Hangar is on the left halfway down the street.

Approximately 18 minutes



Map area around Sheraton Hotel

